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Write to Dan'l
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T. S. Your immediate answer will oblige Yrs.

Clifton, Oct 30. 1845

My dear Sir, I thank you most heartily for your deeply interesting and most important communication to Edinburgh furnished to me, during your sojourn at Geneva, which I duly received, - and very duly appreciate. You will permit me to make such use of it hereafter, as we shall think most conducive to the great end we have in view; but I must beg you to inform me particularly whether you would object to have your name promulged (in America, as well as here) as the writer? - The very same post, or day rather, brought me a voluminous and most interesting Communication from Miss Harriet Martineau; entering fully on the American position of this vast question; & holding out earnest encouragement to us to go on in our enterprize. She especially desires it, for the sake of the heroic young Theologs at Harvard! to whom it will be a balm, & an incitement. Our Brethren in England have been more fastidious & shrinking than I could have previously imagined. All wish well ..... in the abstract ..... but, de de de - the old song! Yet many, very many, have ardently aided us, and signed.

I send you one of the forms, amended as you will see, in the margin.

Of course, the Address, and all circumstances
connected with it — will be kept studiously secret by
you until it shall have legitimately arrived at its
intended publicity. But I should be glad you
would suggest in the meantime, — what particular
channels it wd be desirable to select, whether
in journals or otherwise, for the more extensive
circulation of our sentiments among the Unitarian
Brethren especially, & next, among the American
public generally — Your deep & virtuous
interest in this great question, — will be my apparent
that I do not unduly trespass in proposing for You
all this trouble — Have you seen, the magnifi-
cent Address of O'Connell to certain Irish defenders
of Slavery — at this ? If not, enquire for it by all means:
Cincinnati is & do not go to America without it —

Having some more names to collect, we shall not be in time to send it by you. But we hope to despatch it, by the Packet of Middle of November. It is to be engrossed on parchment, with all the names at length. And the original (autograph) names &c, if practicable, will be pasted on a blank sheet, and annexed to the same Address, printed.

I suppose Wilmer & Smith of Liverpool, agents for Harnden & Co Boston — will be safe channels through which to forward it. Pray give me your opinion as to this point; and also, as to the Address itself, — whether it is of a character such as the occasion calls for.

And now, as to the party through whom in America it is to find its way with best effect to the Brethren for whom it is intended. Poor Henry Ware, was suggested by you: but now that he is gone, William Ware has been named by others here, as a very fit person. What think you? And what is his exact address?

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I thank him — if possible for more than anything else — in setting down these fastidious Patenders — on the subject of nasal sensibility: His retort about the "stale tobacco-spittle" is supreme in its kind! — The stench — Or "fetor" as it was more elegantly phrased — by an American visiter not long since in England — was a favorite topic of argument (!!) then! The question of Slavery was talked of: — But I think Gentlemen will hereafter be more disposed to recollect that in touching on this nice point, they will be apt to have a "quid pro quo" in return —

Do not think your friends in Bristol forget you; they never can. And that you do not forget us, you will manifest, I trust, in writing to us when you can. God bless you, dear Sir, & ever believe me truly yours

Geo. Armstrong —